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Ohio, Kentucky & Indiana Regional Council of Governments  
Mr. Mark Policinski, Executive Director  
720 East Pete Rose Way  
Suite 420  
Cincinnati, OH 45202

Dear Mr. Policinski,

This letter comes today after months of observing projected cost increases in the planning and building of Cincinnati's Streetcar project, along with a series of Cincinnati City Council debates as to how to cover those costs.

In light of the City's projected significant cost overruns on the Cincinnati Streetcar project, we believe the 4 million dollars in OKI funds currently reserved for the Streetcar project could be better utilized on infrastructure projects that would benefit not only the residents of Cincinnati and Hamilton County, but the hundreds of thousands in the region who work or engage in commerce.

As members of the OKI Executive Committee, we respectfully request that alternative options for use of these funds be brought before the OKI Executive Committee for discussion.

We look forward to a robust discussion on the most effective use for this funding and anticipate that a wealth of suggestions may come forward that can benefit the wider community in our pursuit to improve transportation and infrastructure to our entire region.

Regards,

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Chris Monzel  
President

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CC: Commissioner Todd Portune